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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING  
REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 mailed on April 18, 2007 in connection with the above-identified application, a properly signed Declaration (1 document, 2 pages) in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.497(a) and (b) is enclosed. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing of the declaration for a large entity. In addition, a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 is enclosed as requested.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/29/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/29/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/29/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/29/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 06/29/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

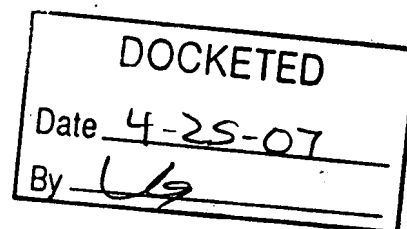
The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.



ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION,

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The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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